

[managing radioactive waste safely]

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Dear Ruth, Jean, Martin and Marianne,

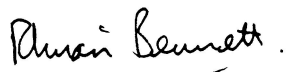
West Cumbria MRWS Partnership, invitation to present views

You will be aware that the West Cumbria MRWS Partnership has started its final consultation regarding potentially entering the Government's siting process to host a Geological Disposal Facility for higher activity radioactive waste. We hope that you will submit views to the consultation before the deadline of 23rd March 2012.

On behalf of the Steering Group of the Partnership, I would like to invite you collectively to present the views of Friends of the Earth, Greenpeace, CORE and RAFL on the issue, to a full Partnership meeting. The Partnership would be particularly interested to hear views on their consultation document and the work it has done, before it writes the Final Report to the councils. We understand that your diaries may already be congested so can offer a choice of two dates: either 31st January or 21st February 2012. These are the two Partnership meetings remaining before the consultation period closes.

You may wish to coordinate a response between you. Please come back to me if you have any questions about the invitation. You will understand that we have to plan future meetings and agenda items, so we would appreciate it if you could confirm which meeting (if either) you wish to present at by 16th December.

Yours sincerely



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